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KNUCKLES: STRENGTH
TAILS: FLIGHT
AMY: FURY
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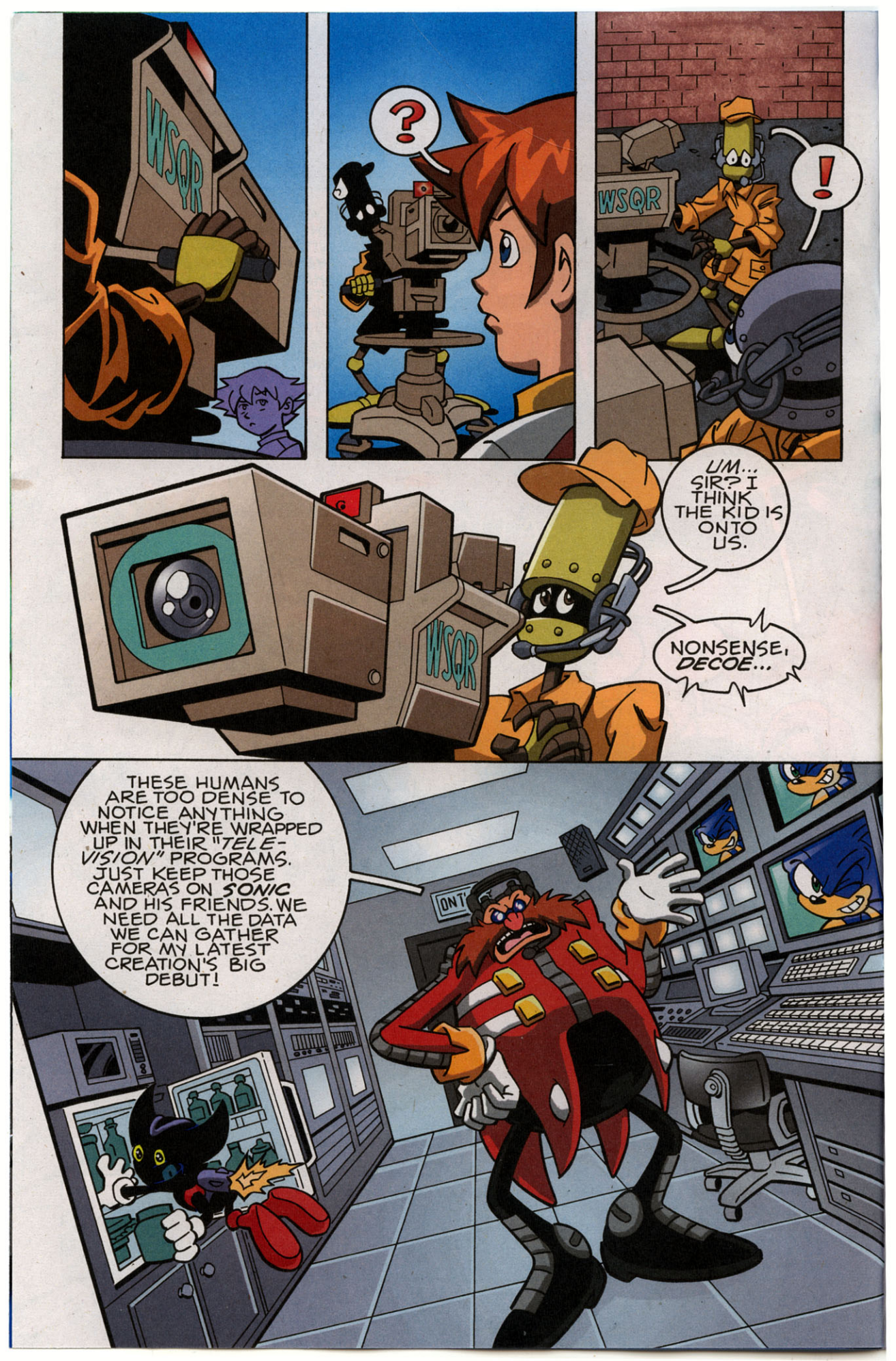
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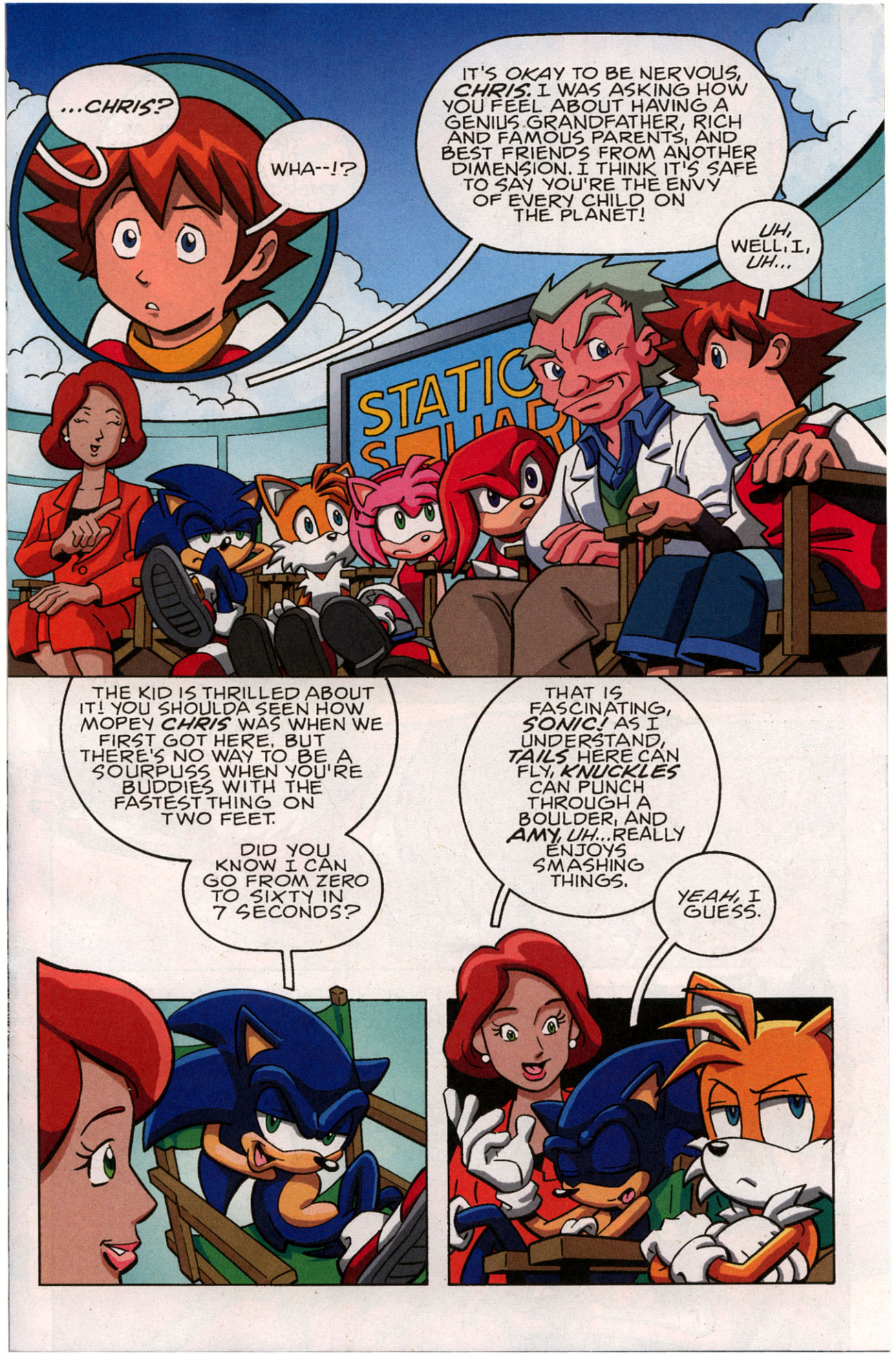
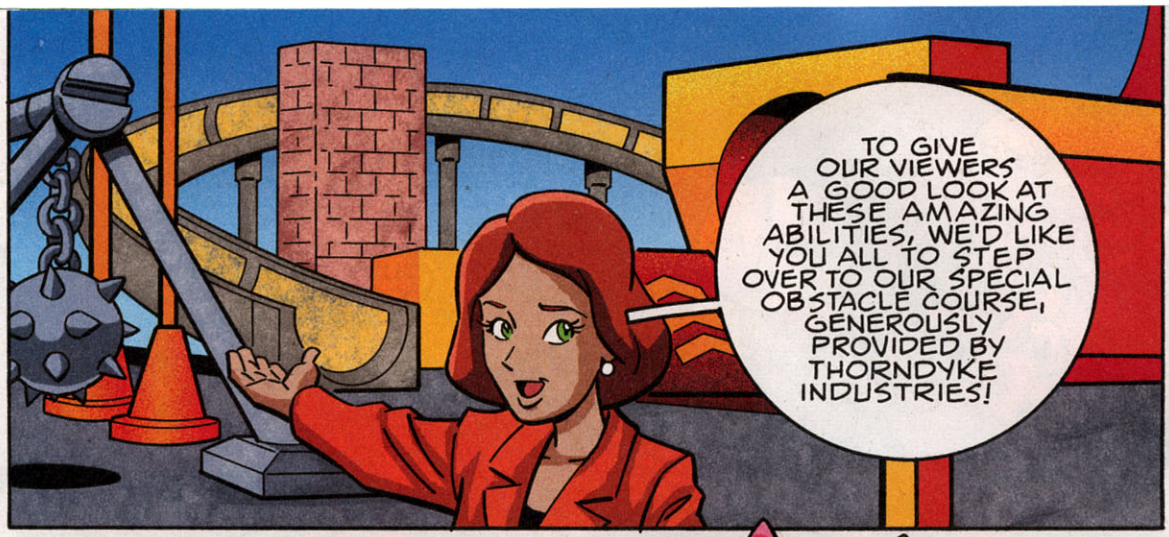
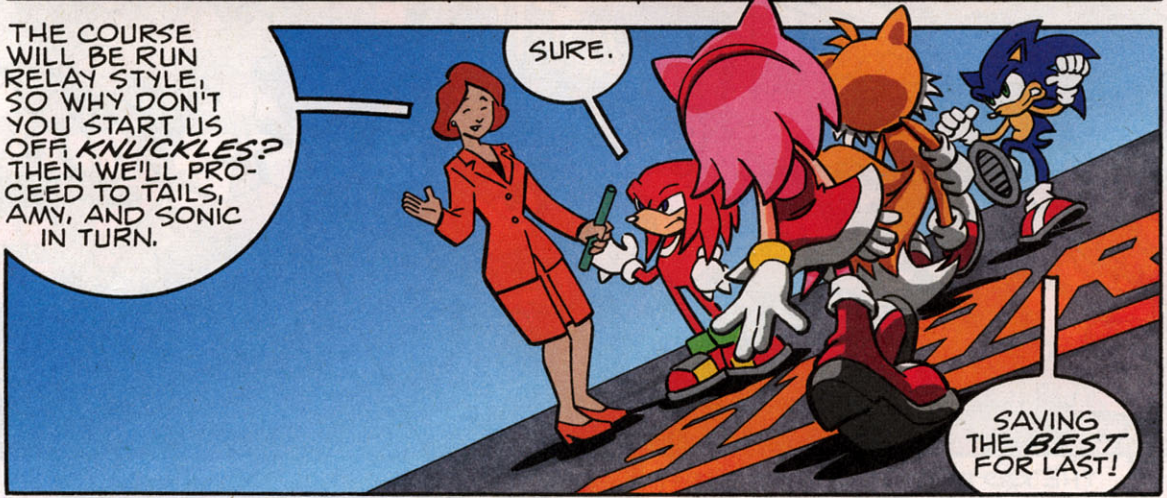
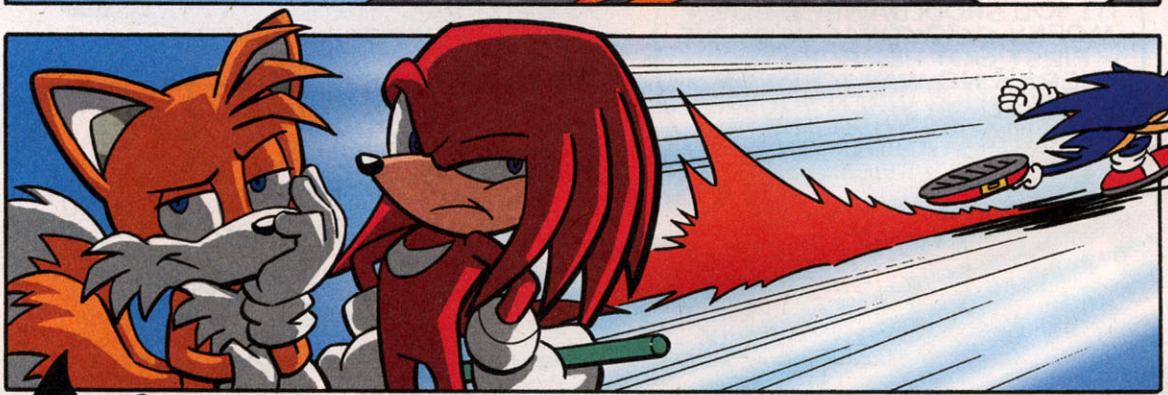
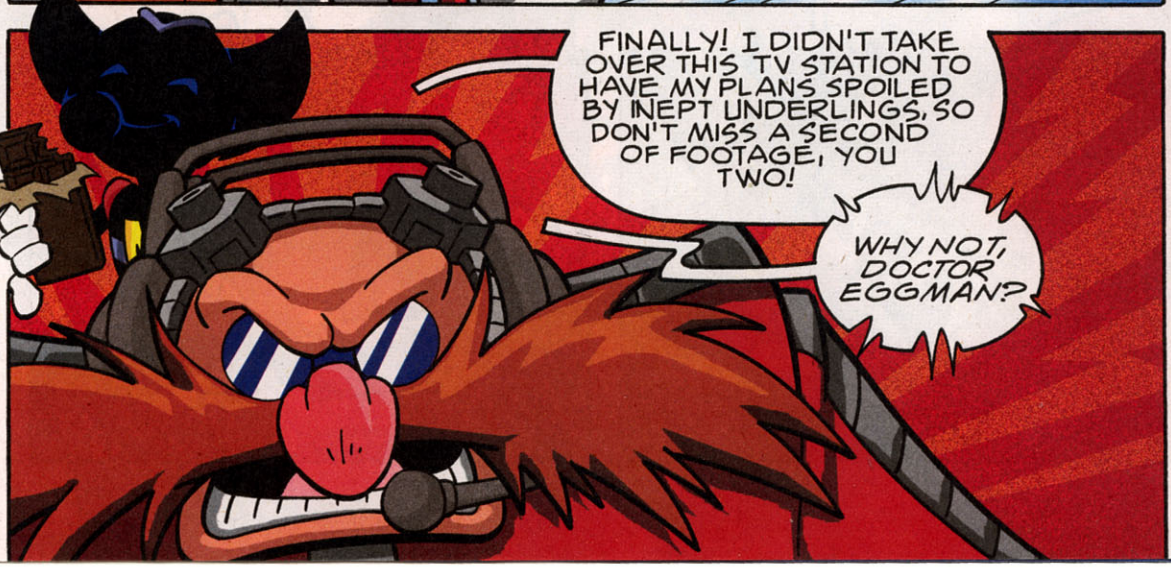
UM... SIR? I THINK THE KID IS ONTO US.
WSQR
NONSENSE, DECOE...
THESE HUMANS ARE TOO DENSE TO NOTICE ANYTHING WHEN THEY'RE WRAPPED UP IN THEIR "TELE-VISION" PROGRAMS. JUST KEEP THOSE CAMERAS ON SONIC AND HIS FRIENDS. WE NEED ALL THE DATA WE CAN GATHER FOR MY LATEST CREATION'S BIG DEBUT!


...CHRIS?
WHA--!?
IT'S OKAY TO BE NERVOUS, CHRIS. I WAS ASKING HOW YOU FEEL ABOUT HAVING A GENIUS GRANDFATHER, RICH AND FAMOUS PARENTS, AND BEST FRIENDS FROM ANOTHER DIMENSION. I THINK IT'S SAFE TO SAY YOU'RE THE ENVY OF EVERY CHILD ON THE PLANET!
UH, WELL, I, UH...
STATIC
THE KID IS THRILLED ABOUT IT! YOU SHOULDA SEEN HOW MOPEY CHRIS WAS WHEN WE FIRST GOT HERE. BUT THERE'S NO WAY TO BE A SOURPUSS WHEN YOU'RE BUDDIES WITH THE FASTEST THING ON TWO FEET.
DID YOU KNOW I CAN GO FROM ZERO TO SIXTY IN 7 SECONDS?
THAT IS FASCINATING, SONIC! AS I UNDERSTAND, TAILS HERE CAN FLY, KNUCKLES CAN PUNCH THROUGH A BOULDER, AND AMY, UH...REALLY ENJOYS SMASHING THINGS.
YEAH, I GUESS.

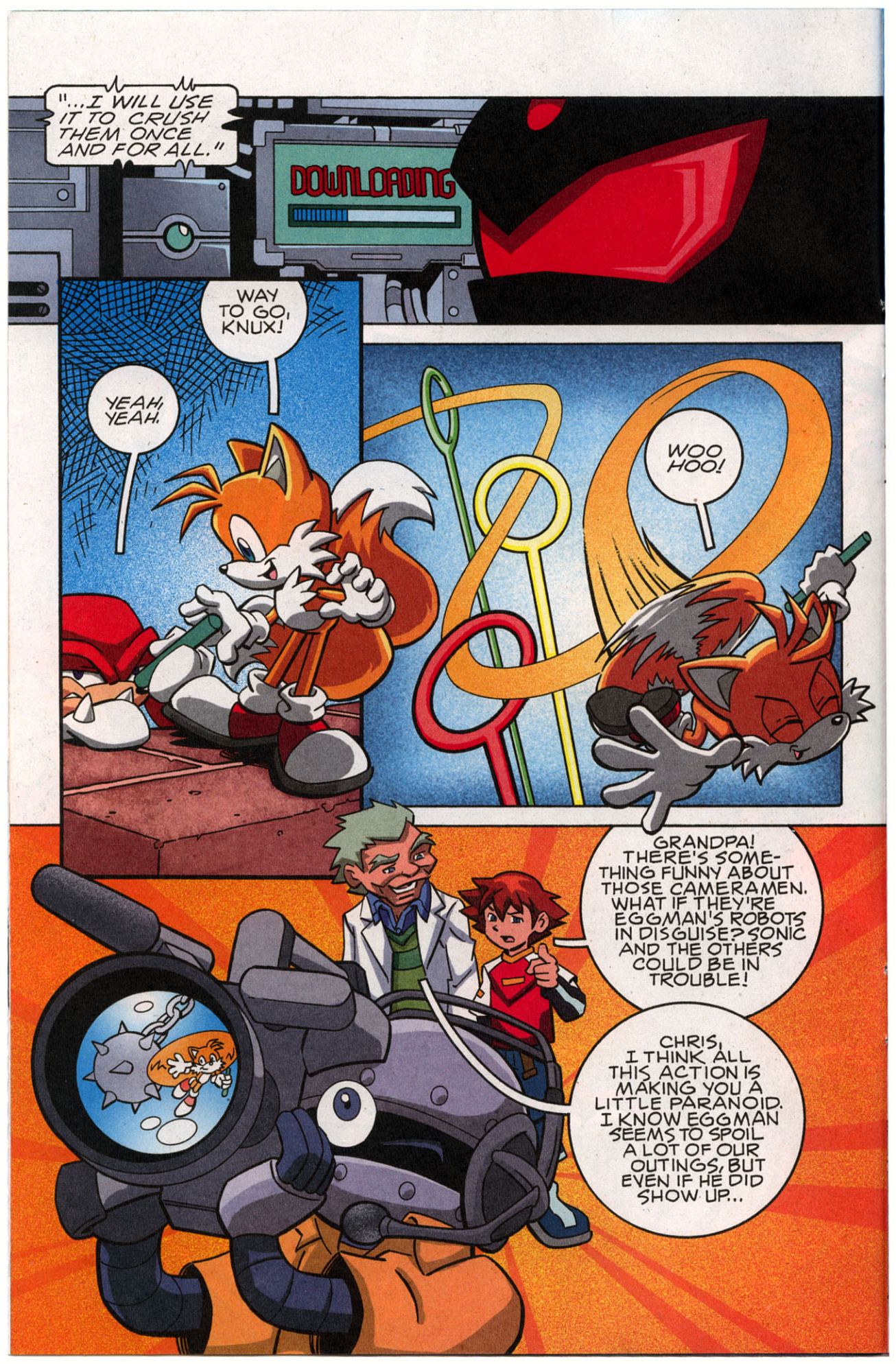

TO GIVE OUR VIEWERS A GOOD LOOK AT THESE AMAZING ABILITIES, WE'D LIKE YOU ALL TO STEP OVER TO OUR SPECIAL OBSTACLE COURSE, GENEROUSLY PROVIDED BY THORNDYKE INDUSTRIES!

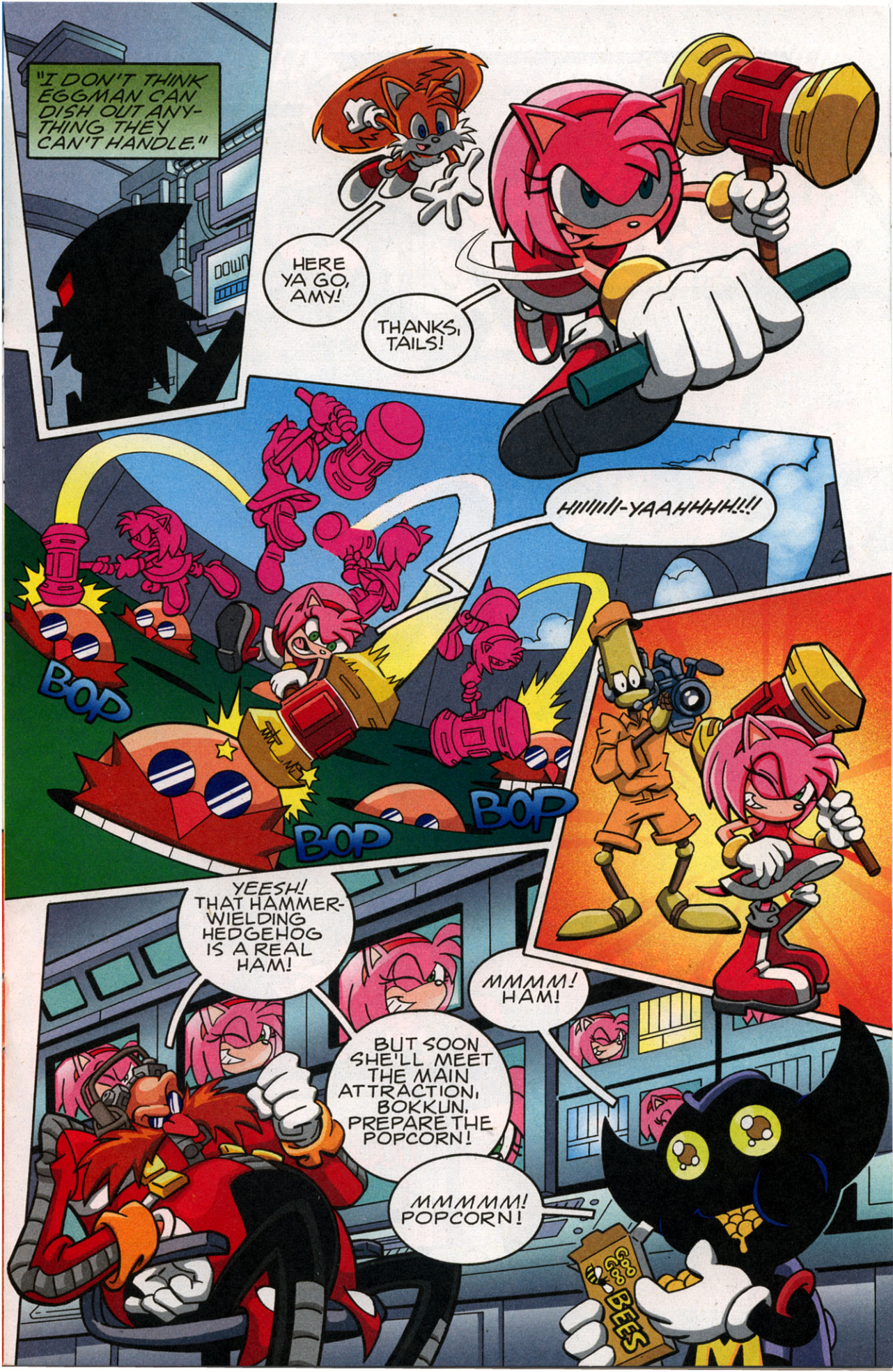

THE COURSE WILL BE RUN RELAY STYLE, SO WHY DON'T YOU START US OFF, *KNUCKLES*? THEN WE'LL PROCEED TO TAILS, AMY, AND SONIC IN TURN.
SURE.
SAVING THE *BEST* FOR LAST!

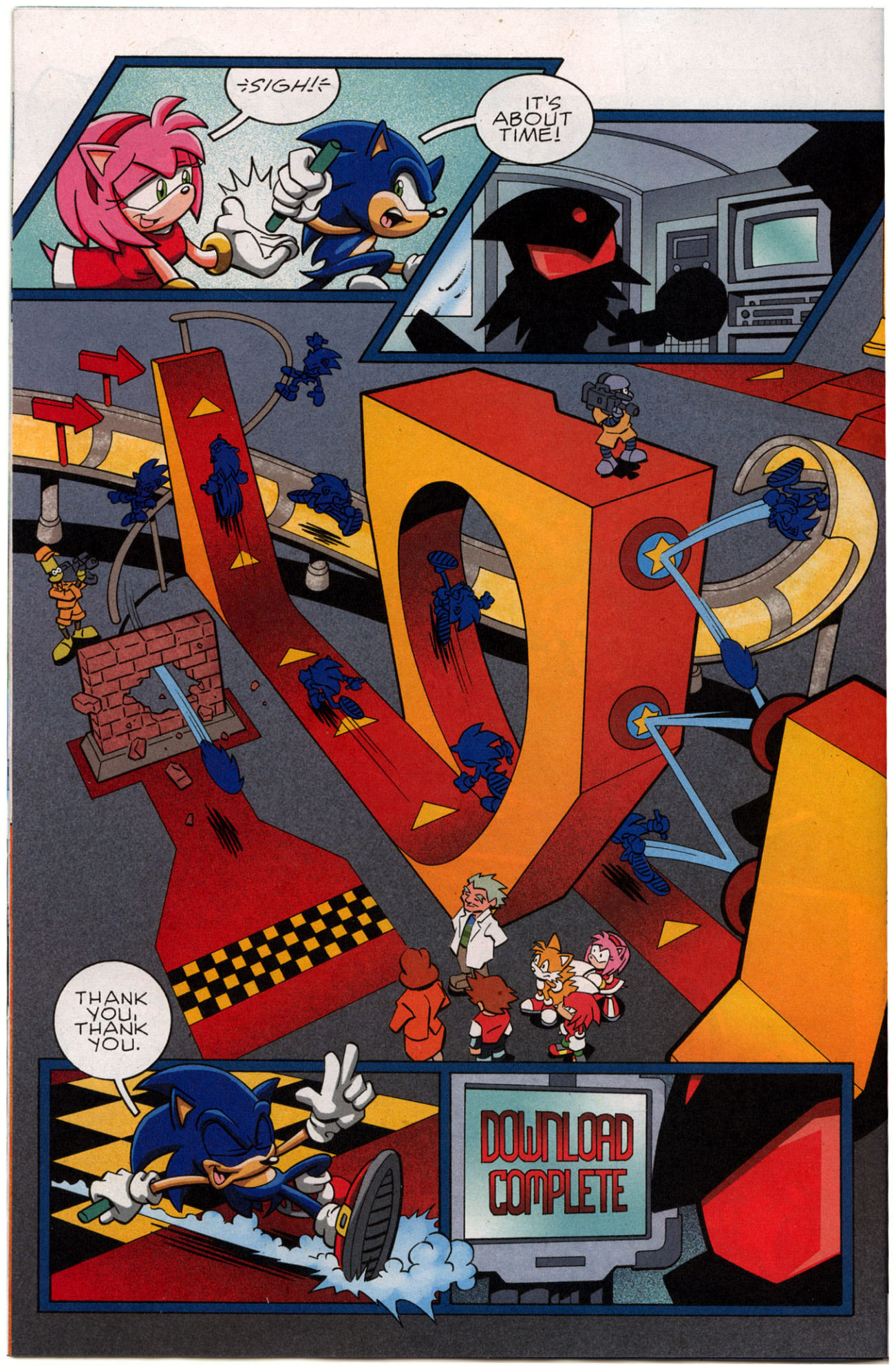



FINALLY! I DIDN'T TAKE OVER THIS TV STATION TO HAVE MY PLANS SPOILED BY INEPT UNDERLINGS, SO DON'T MISS A SECOND OF FOOTAGE, YOU TWO!
WHY NOT, DOCTOR EGGMAN?

BECAUSE I SAID SO! AND BECAUSE WE NEED THE DATA TO MAKE MY NEWEST ROBOT AS POWERFUL AS SONIC AND HIS FRIENDS.
"BY VISUALLY RECORDING THESE ANNOYING ANIMALS IN ACTION...
"...WE CAN DOWN-LOAD THEIR ABILITIES INTO MY NEW ROBOT."
HURRY UP, SLOW-POKE!
WAIT YOUR TURN!
"ONCE IT KNOWS THEIR EVERY STRENGTH AND WEAKNESS...

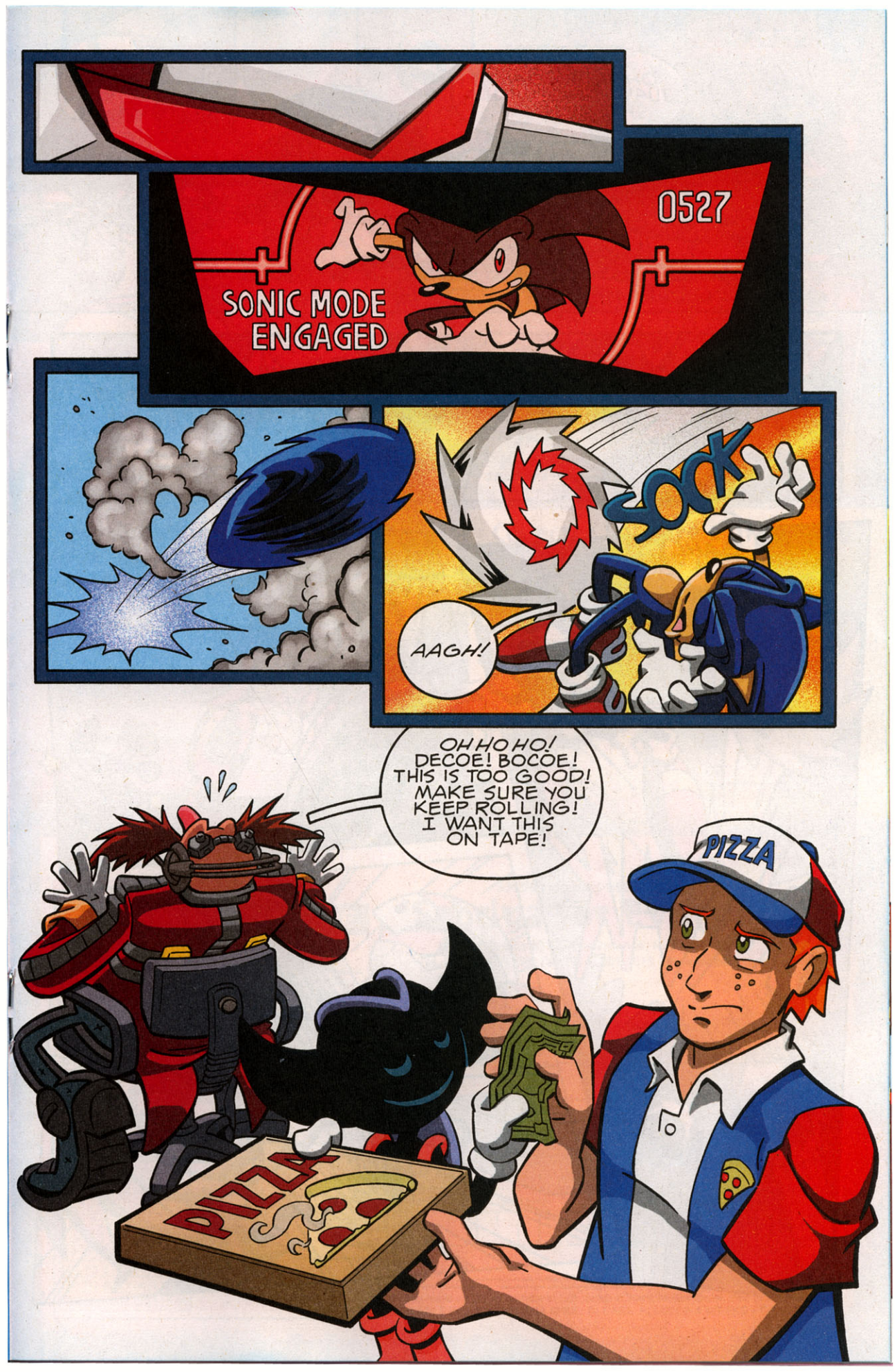

"...I WILL USE IT TO CRUSH THEM ONCE AND FOR ALL."
DOWNLOADING
WAY TO GO, KNUX!
YEAH, YEAH.
WOO HOO!
GRANDPA! THERE'S SOMETHING FUNNY ABOUT THOSE CAMERAMEN. WHAT IF THEY'RE EGGMAN'S ROBOTS IN DISGUISE? SONIC AND THE OTHERS COULD BE IN TROUBLE!
CHRIS, I THINK ALL THIS ACTION IS MAKING YOU A LITTLE PARANOID. I KNOW EGGMAN SEEMS TO SPOIL A LOT OF OUR OUTINGS, BUT EVEN IF HE DID SHOW UP...


"I DON'T THINK EGGMAN CAN DISH OUT ANYTHING THEY CAN'T HANDLE."
DOWN
HERE YA GO, AMY!
THANKS, TAILS!
HIIIIIII-YAAHHHH!!!
BOP
BOP
BOP
YEESH! THAT HAMMER-WIELDING HEDGEHOG IS A REAL HAM!
MMMM! HAM!
BUT SOON SHE'LL MEET THE MAIN ATTRACTION, BOKKUN. PREPARE THE POPCORN!
MMMMM! POPCORN!
BEES


÷SIGH!÷
IT'S ABOUT TIME!
THANK YOU, THANK YOU.
DOWNLOAD COMPLETE

HUZZAH! MY ROBOT IS READY!
DING
POP CORN
WITH THE DATA DOWNLOADED, IT WILL MOP THE FLOOR WITH THOSE MEDDLESOME MAMMALS!
...LEAVING ME FREE TO CONQUER THIS MISERABLE MUDBALL OF A PLANET.
BOKKUN! MY POPCORN!
GULP!

WSQR
CRASH
THOM
GUYS, I GOT THIS.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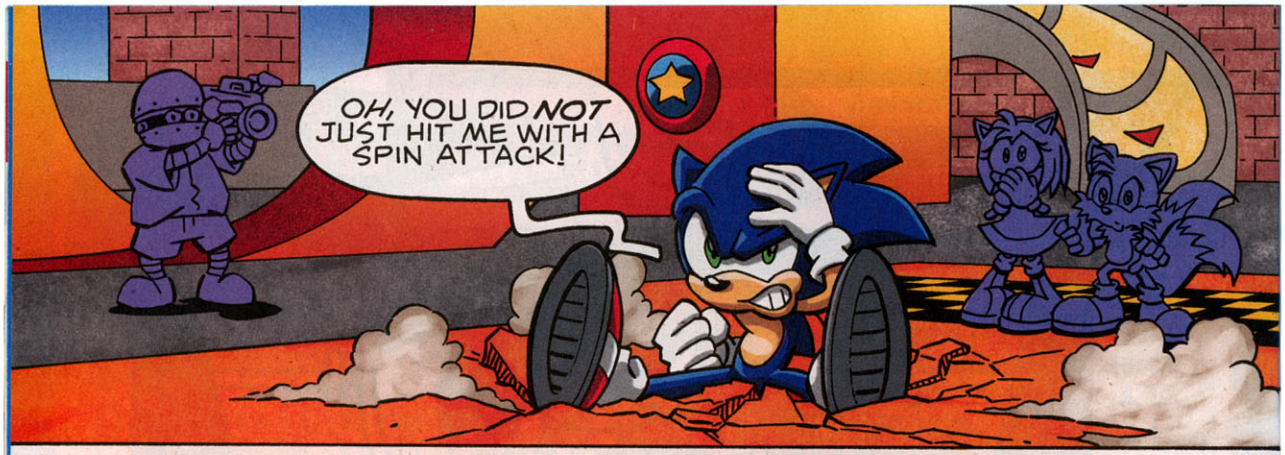
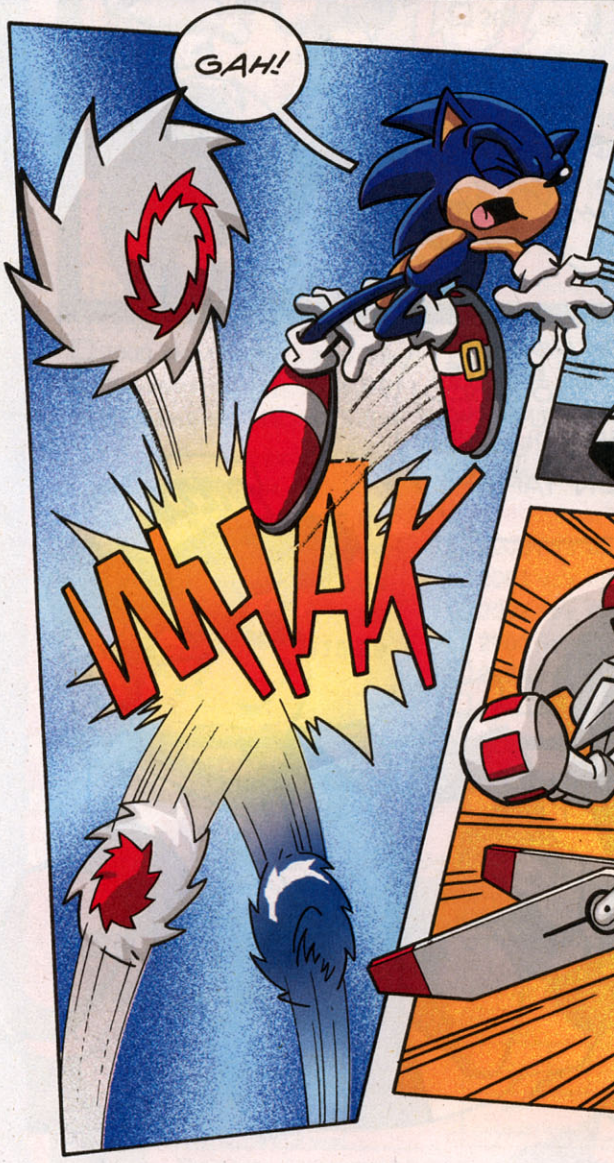
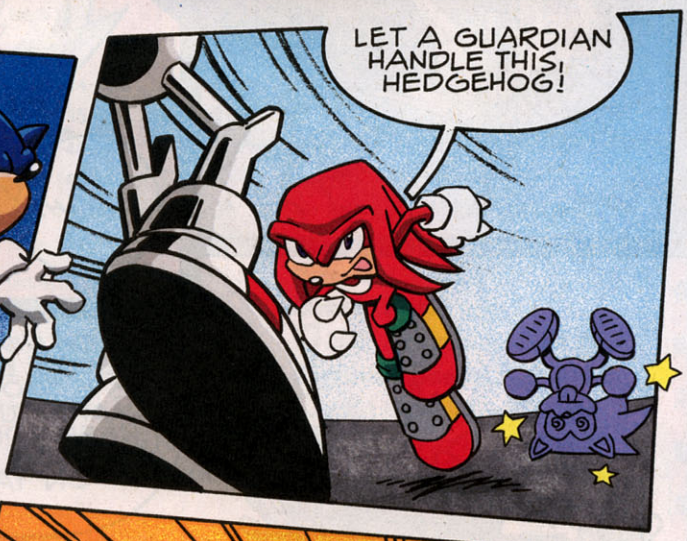
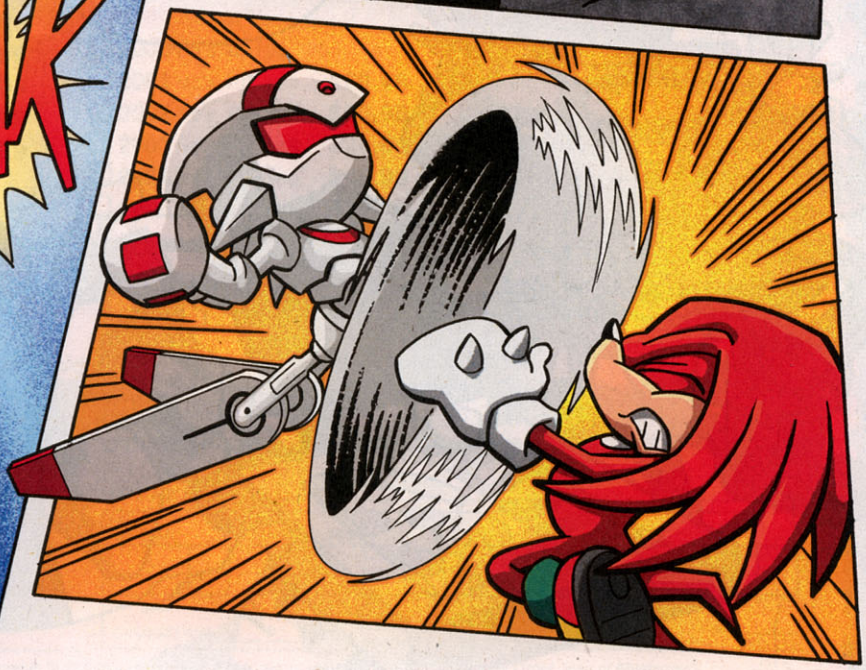
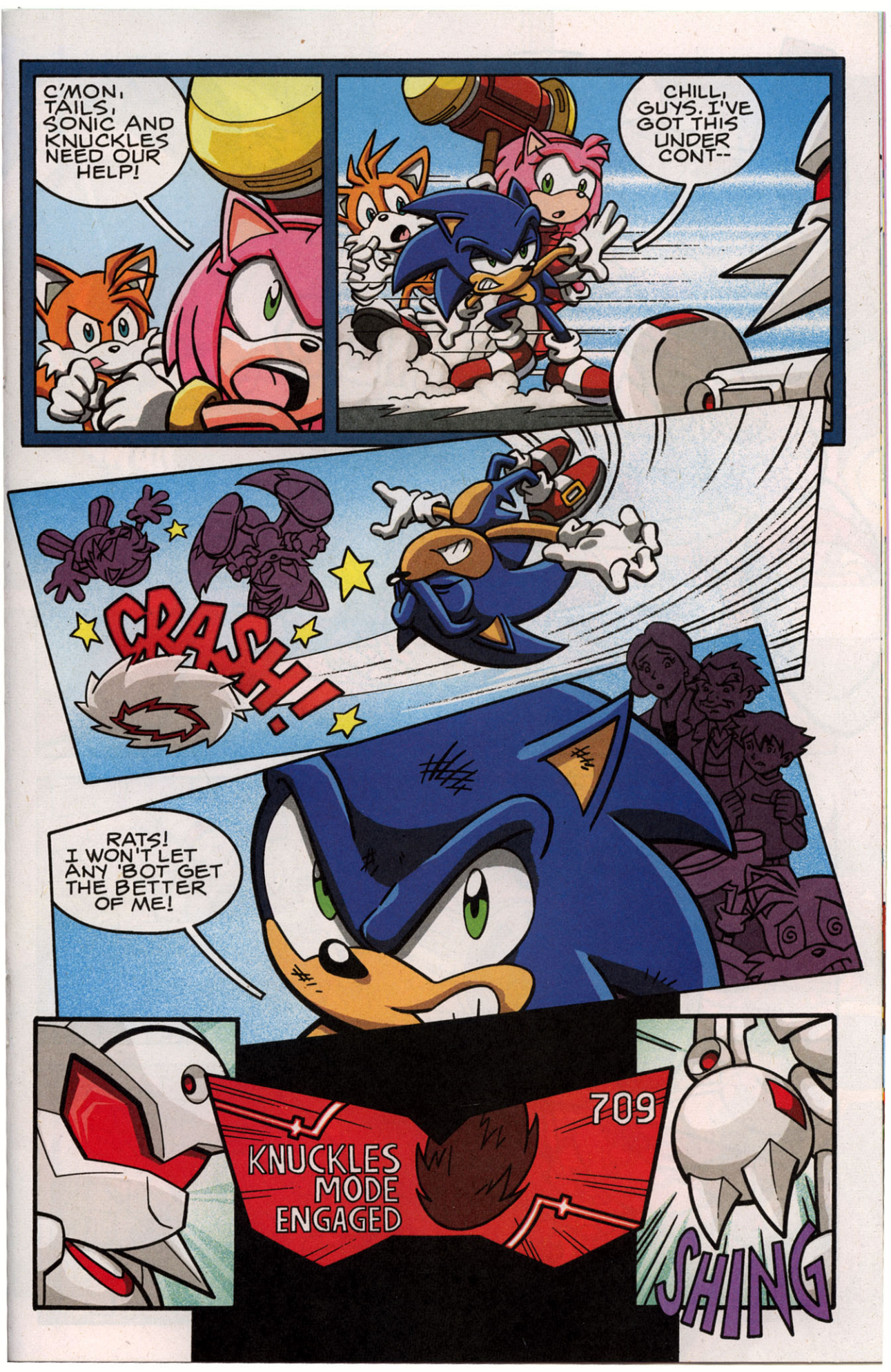
SONIC MODE ENGAGED
SOCK
AAGH!
OH HO HO! DECOE! BOCOE! THIS IS TOO GOOD! MAKE SURE YOU KEEP ROLLING! I WANT THIS ON TAPE!
PIZZA
PIZZA

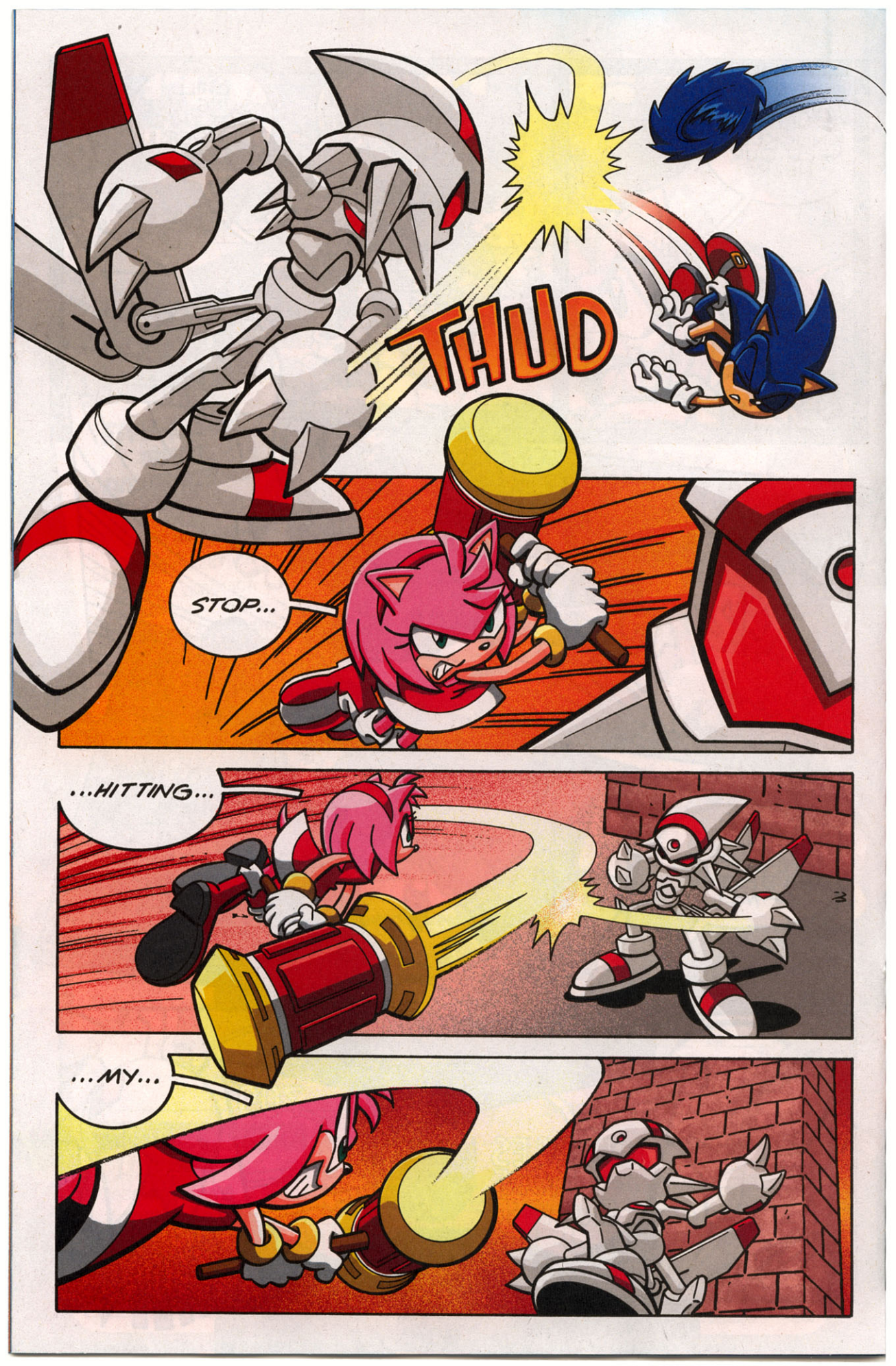

OH, YOU DID NOT JUST HIT ME WITH A SPIN ATTACK!

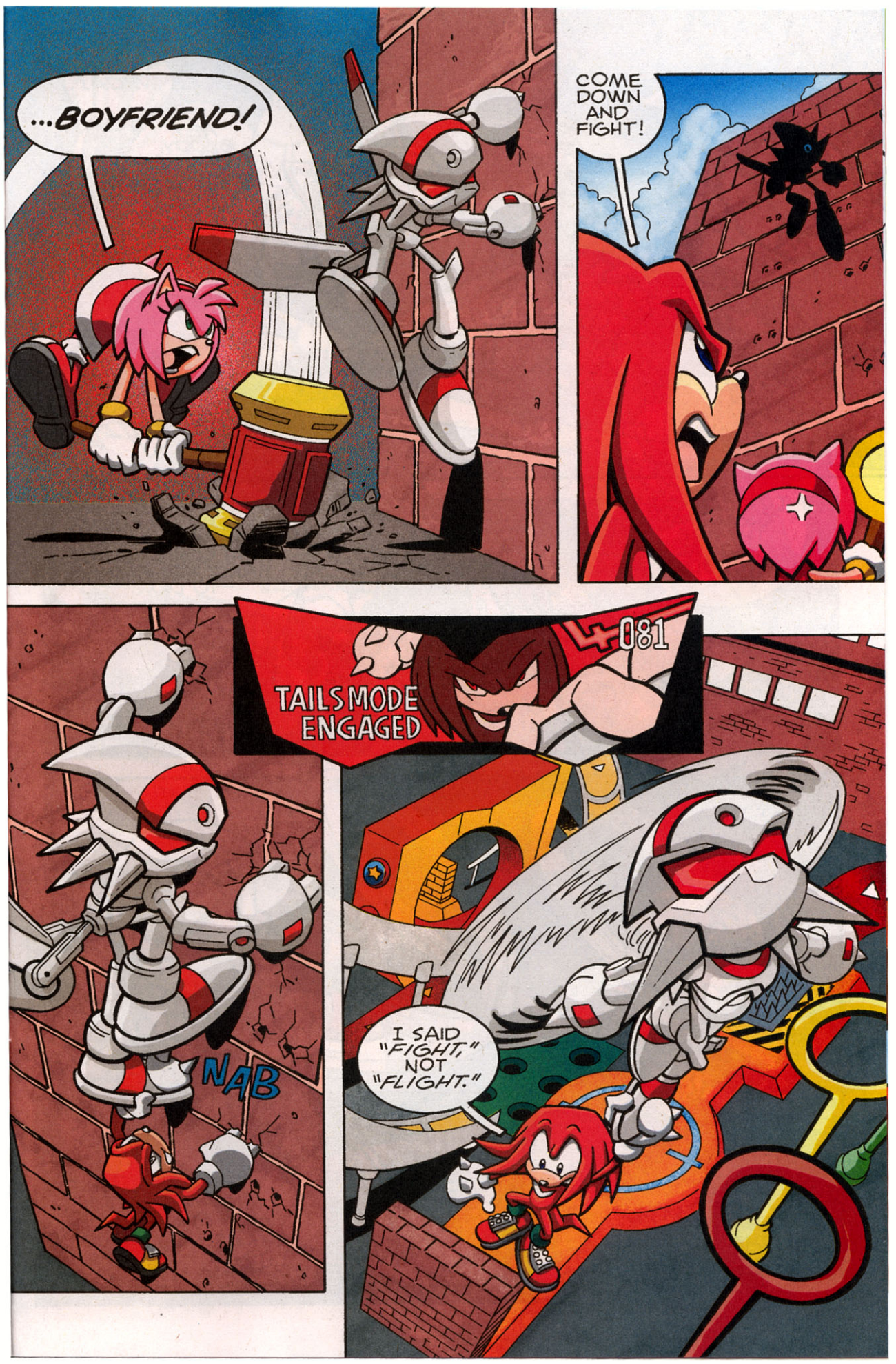

GAH!
WHAK

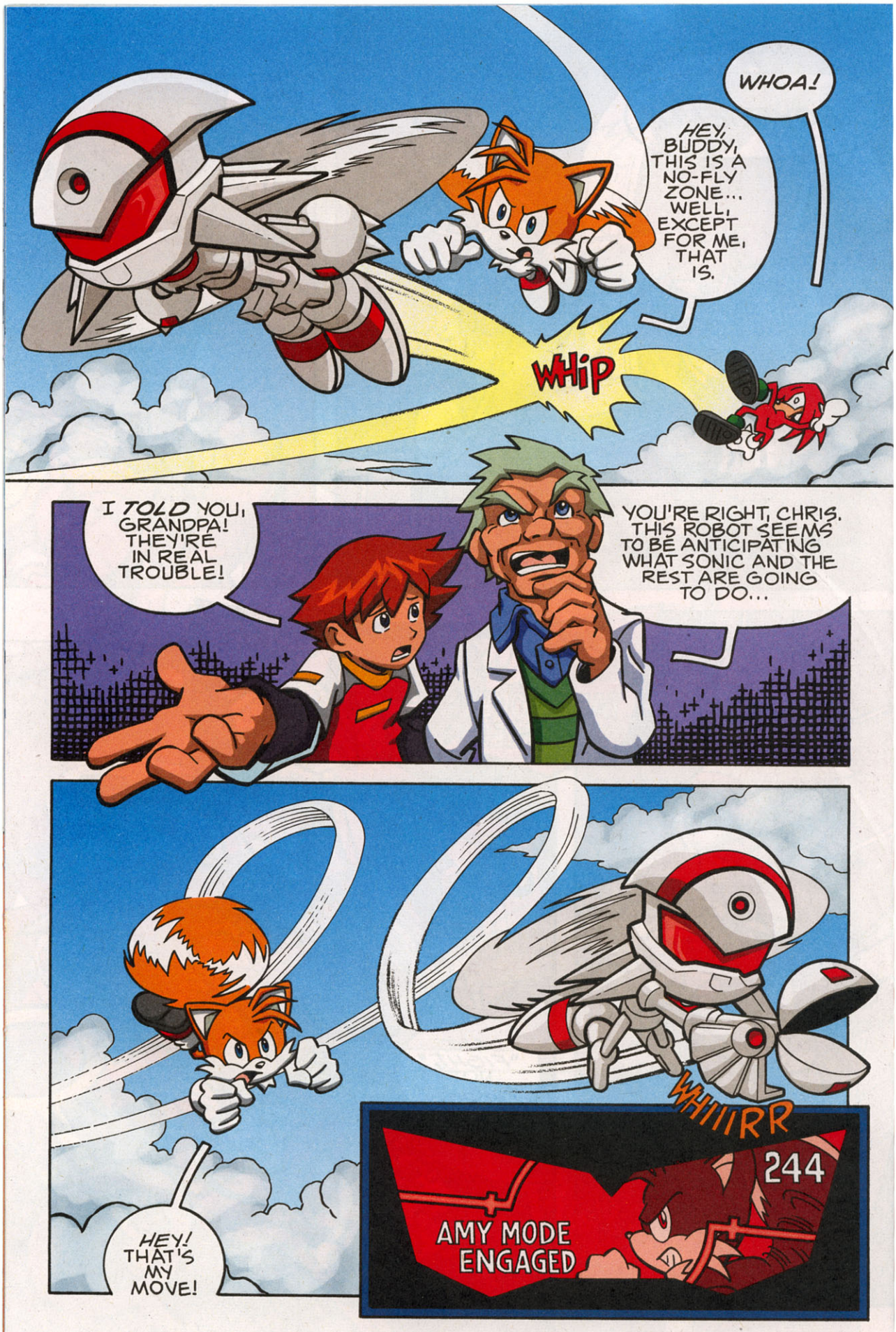

LET A GUARDIAN HANDLE THIS, HEDGEHOG!

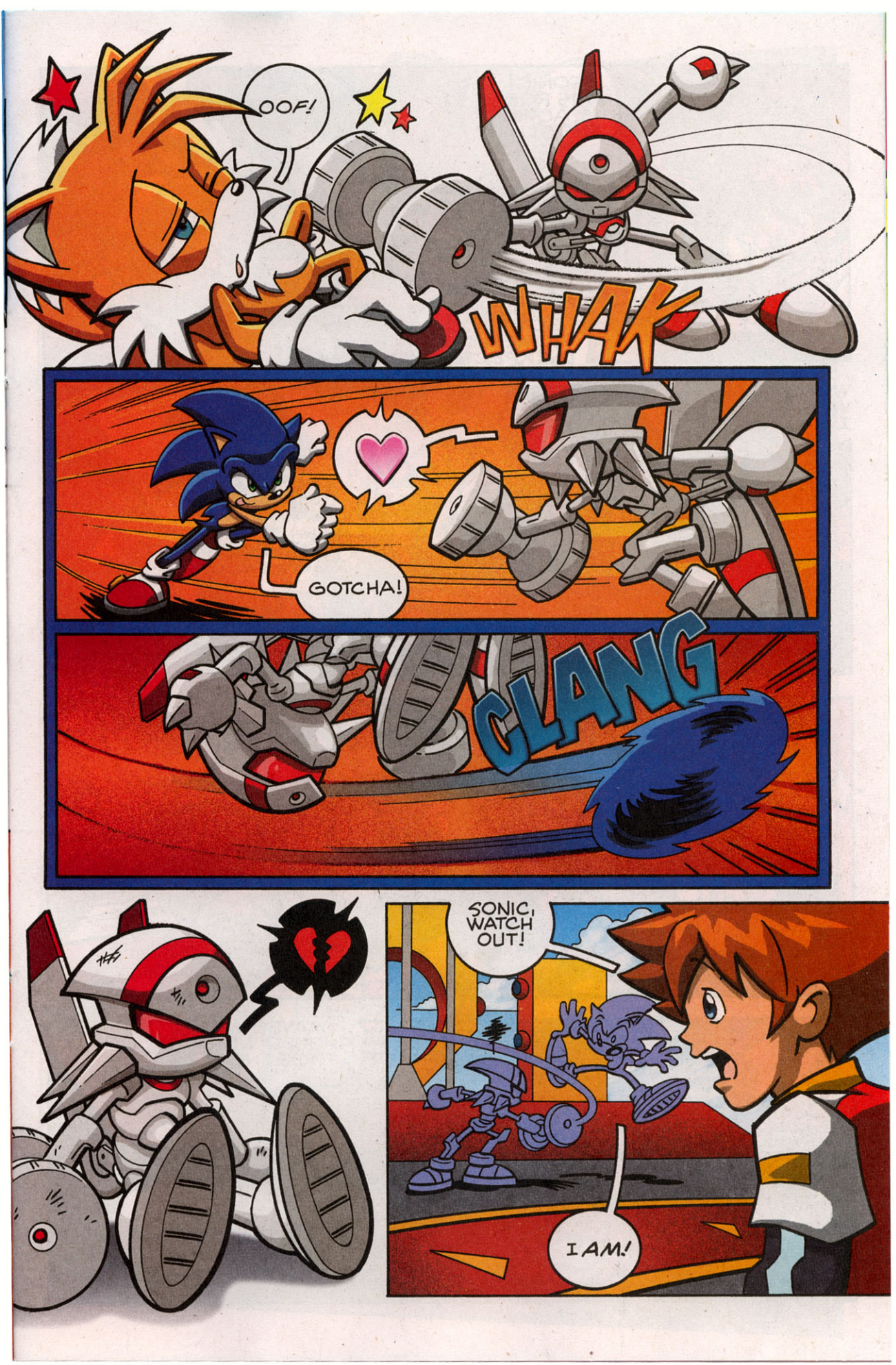


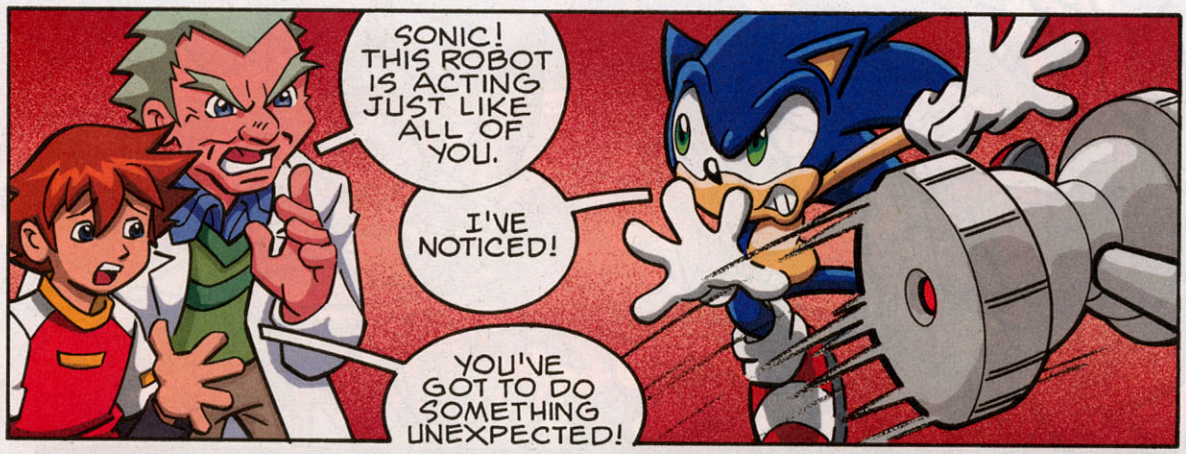

C'MON, TAILS, SONIC AND KNUCKLES NEED OUR HELP!
CHILL, GUYS. I'VE GOT THIS UNDER CONT--
CRASH!
RATS! I WON'T LET ANY 'BOT GET THE BETTER OF ME!
709
KNUCKLES MODE ENGAGED
SHING

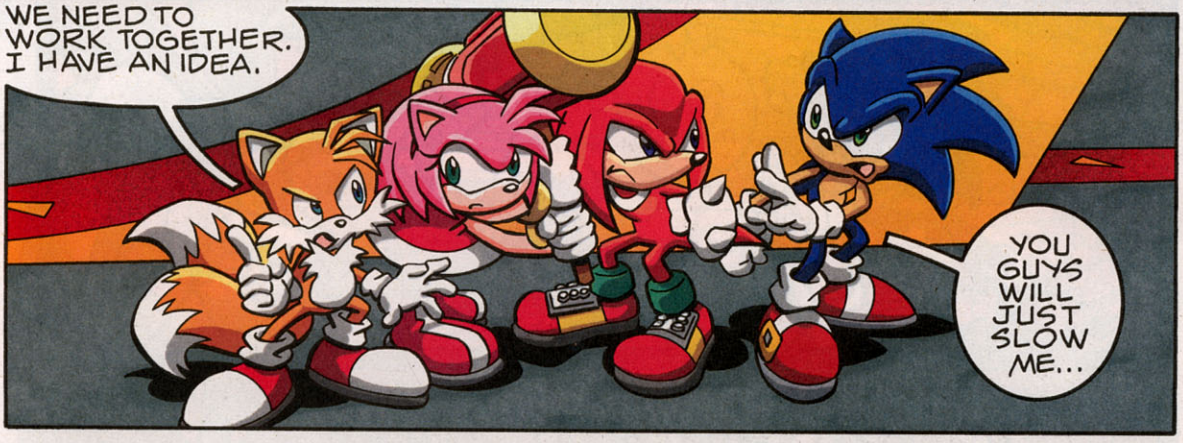

THUD
STOP...
...HITTING...
...MY...

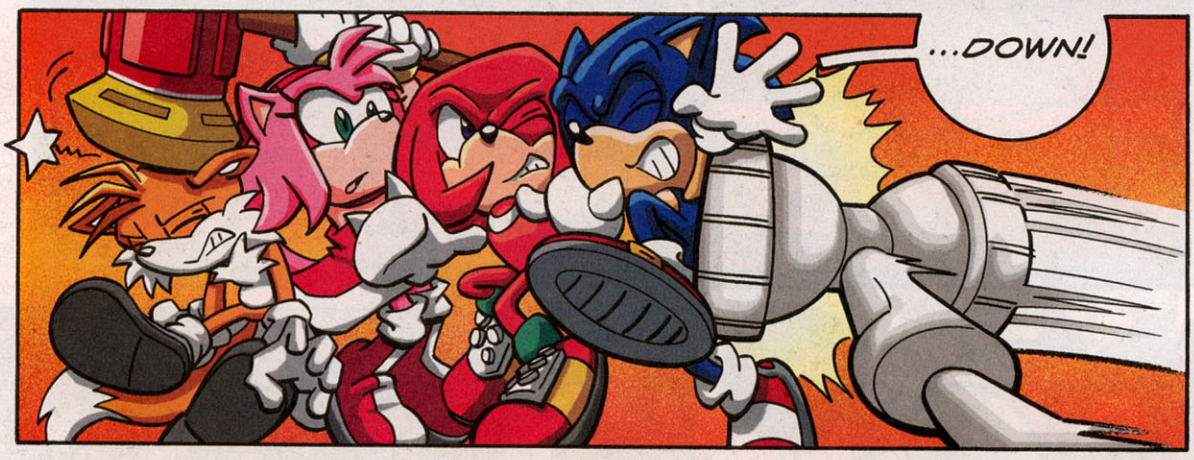

...BOYFRIEND!
COME DOWN AND FIGHT!
TAILS MODE ENGAGED
081
NAB
I SAID "FIGHT," NOT "FLIGHT."

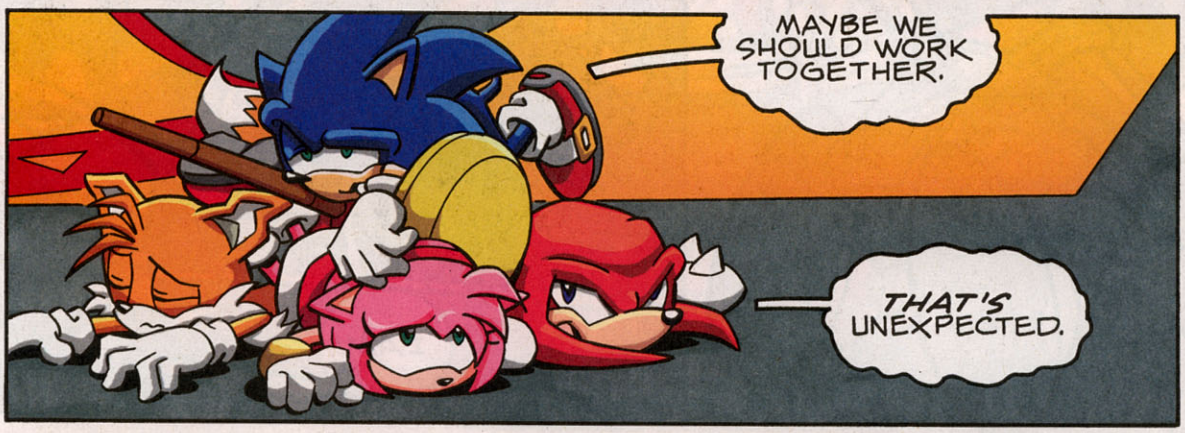

WHOA!
HEY, BUDDY, THIS IS A NO-FLY ZONE... WELL, EXCEPT FOR ME, THAT IS.
WHIP
I TOLD YOU, GRANDPA! THEY'RE IN REAL TROUBLE!
YOU'RE RIGHT, CHRIS. THIS ROBOT SEEMS TO BE ANTICIPATING WHAT SONIC AND THE REST ARE GOING TO DO...
WHIIIRR
HEY! THAT'S MY MOVE!
AMY MODE ENGAGED


OOF!
WHAK
GOTCHA!
CLANG
SONIC, WATCH OUT!
I AM!


SONIC! THIS ROBOT IS ACTING JUST LIKE ALL OF YOU.
I'VE NOTICED!
YOU'VE GOT TO DO SOMETHING UNEXPECTED!


WE NEED TO WORK TOGETHER. I HAVE AN IDEA.
YOU GUYS WILL JUST SLOW ME...


...DOWN!


MAYBE WE SHOULD WORK TOGETHER.
THAT'S UNEXPECTED.

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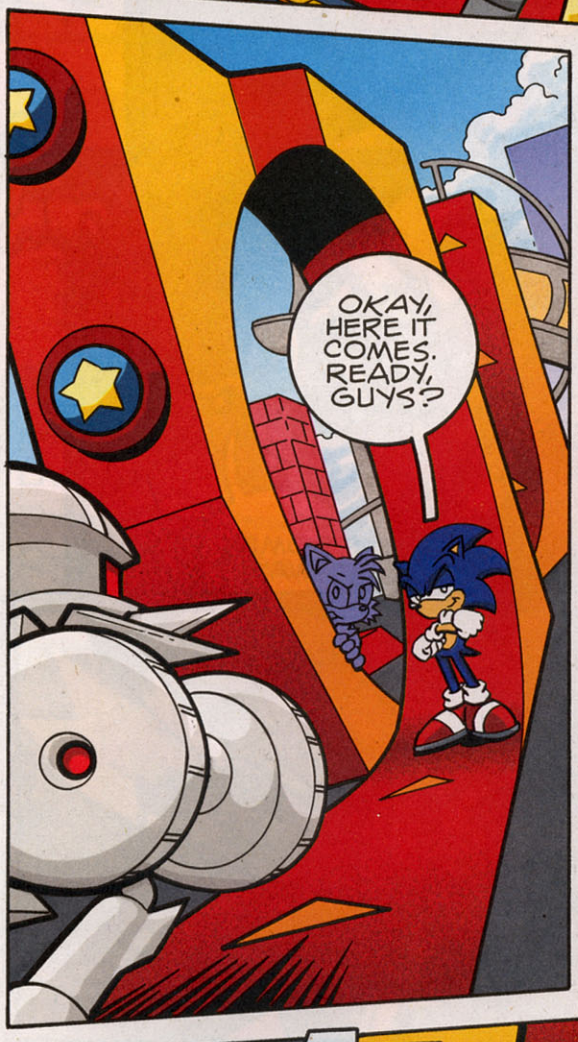
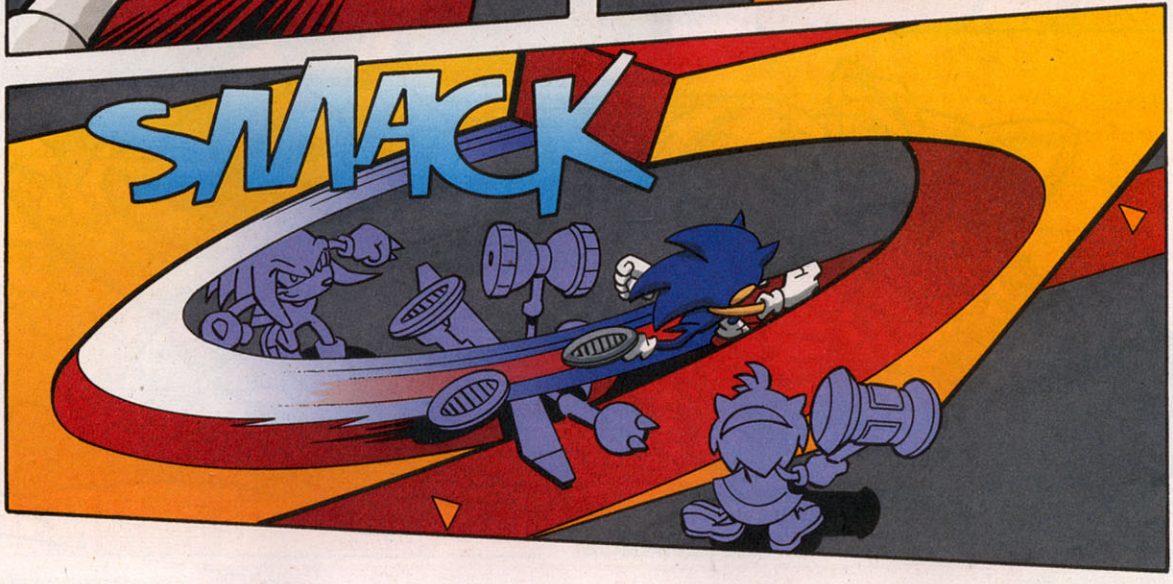
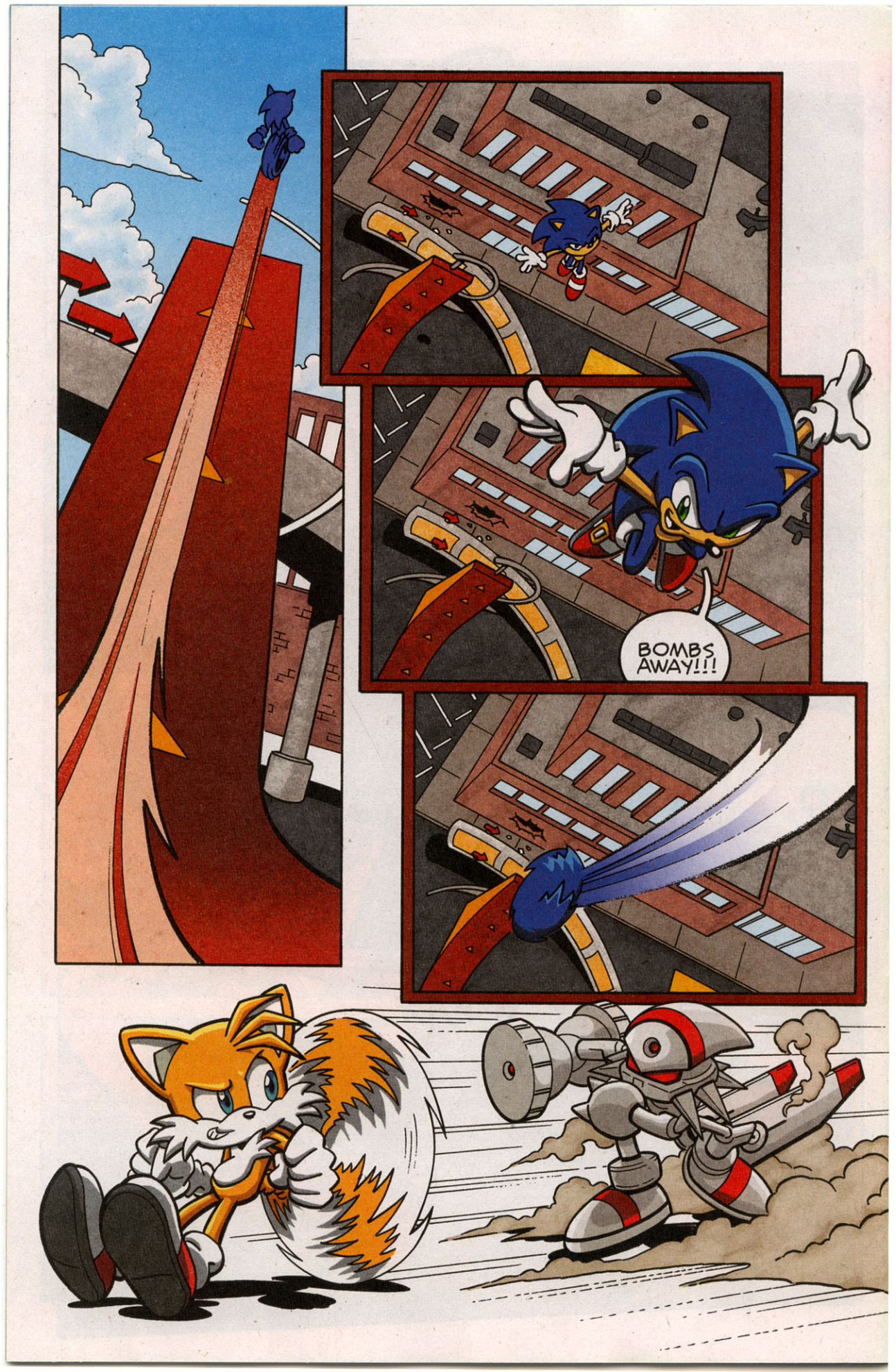

OKAY, HERE IT COMES. READY, GUYS?

GO!
THWAK


SMACK


BOMBS AWAY!!!